

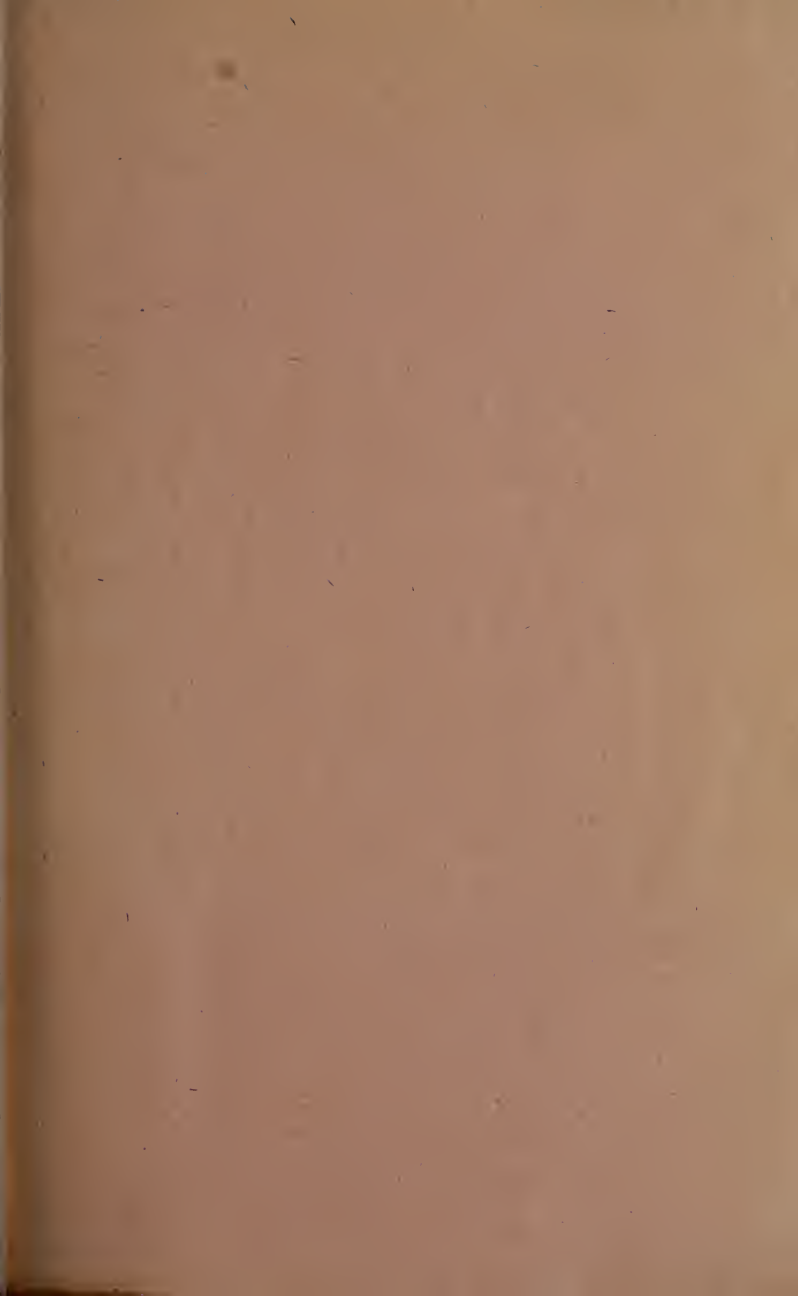
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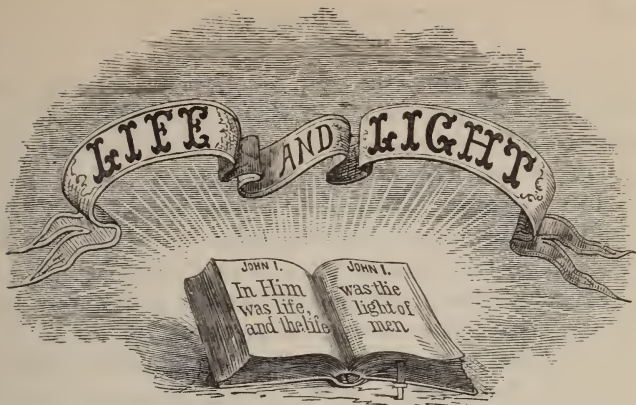
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TURKEY.

A MONTHLY CONCERT IN HARPOOT.

BY MISS C. E. BUSH.

A most precious monthly concert, held in our Harpoot chapel last evening, makes me wish to sit down immediately and describe it. Mr. Wheeler and Pastor Mardiros led in the opening exercises; and then, one by one, the students of our theological seminary were called upon to relate the story of their labors during the winter. I am sure you would have felt that religion and education had done something for this people, if you could have seen the large and intelligent audience, and the interest manifested, as we heard from town after town. First came Aboochekh, a village near the wealthy city of Agin, occupied by Baron Haritune this winter. He could not tell of much progress; but there was no determined opposition to the

truth : and he hoped the seed sown would spring up, and bear fruit. One or two others spoke, whose fields seem to have been in the same condition. Then came a stout, tall fellow, named Hagope, whose old village dialect gave double interest to his story of persecution and trial. He had been laboring at Chorchook, a place never before occupied. The "chief man's" son became convinced of the truth, and defending Hagope, in spite of threats from his friends, was finally obliged to fly from his home, for Christ's sake. He said he would give up father, mother, home, and lands, but he would not stop praying, or reading the Bible ; and Hagope as decidedly declared that he would not leave the village, though every means was used to drive him away.

Another speaker, Baron Maljan, who had an interesting story to tell, had been preaching at Havav, near the city of Palu. He said their village was not an ignorant one : most of the men knew how to read ; and, as almost all of them spent more or less time in Constantinople, they had obtained some knowledge of the world. Many of the teachers in the Armenian schools in that region come from this village ; but they are apt to be almost infidels, having lost faith in their old rites and superstitions, and gained none of the vital faith of Protestantism. Baron Maljan told of one of the four Protestants in the place, who had borne severe and persistent persecution from the members of his own home. His wife was taken away from him by her friends, because they thought he was not worthy of her ; and after a while his little babe, twenty-two days old, was sent back to him, thinking it would give him so much trouble, that he would surely yield. He went quietly to work, however, caring for the child, which grew finely ; and soon the friends were glad to return the mother to her husband and baby.

Baron Hohannes spoke about his field with the same intense earnestness with which he works. Even the old priest of the village loves him as a son; and the priest's sons were his warm friends. He preached and read the Bible at the old Armenian church, until the people began to wonder, and say, "Why is the Bible read to us in modern Armenian? Why is our service in the ancient?" Over a year ago, when Mr. Wheeler was at Ozoomaba with me, he placed a large straw mat in the chapel, saying it should be a gift to the women, if they would occupy it; and seven immediately promised to earn the ownership by faithful attendance. Hohannes tells us that the number is increased to fifteen. Some of them have learned to read, although there is no pastor's wife to teach them. The attendance at the sabbath-noon service had been fifty, sixty, and sometimes eighty, during the winter.

At the close of the meeting, Mr. Wheeler gave a rapid survey of the field, cheering us by many encouraging incidents. In Chemisgesek, they call loudly for a preacher, to supply the place of the one who left them some months ago. In Choonkoosh, there is great interest; four hundred people attending the chapel, and one hundred and seventy scholars in the sabbath school. In Redvan, our Koordish church said to the missionaries, "Give us a *less* allowance for our preacher, and we will increase what we give," — the first offer of the kind made by any church here. The Divrik people support their church and school without aid from the missionaries. The people of Geghi have collected almost enough money to buy an organ or melodeon; and this week I began to give lessons on the organ to Nazloo, one of our pupils from that place. She is delighted with the idea, and promises to make good progress. The people of Geghi, in their letter to the missionaries in regard to the organ, expressed more gratitude

than has been shown by any other people, although they only had to be thankful for the sending for the organ.

I grieve to put so dark a background as I am obliged to upon this bright picture of advancing work, by telling you of the sorrowful event of Sunday. While we were at breakfast, we were alarmed by a severe shock of earthquake. No harm was done in Harpoot, except to a minaret; but the village of Harboosi was almost entirely destroyed. There are only two houses left in the village, in which it is safe to live. Sixteen persons were killed, and twenty-two wounded. Among the latter are ten Protestants. Some of the wounded cannot recover; and many will be lame for life. The story of their fear and want is heart-rending. The buildings seem to have fallen almost immediately; and so violently were they thrown, that oftentimes it seems as if two walls, or even two houses, had changed places; and men can hardly tell where their dwellings were. A thick cloud of dust arose, darkening the bright heavens; and men could not stand before the whirlwind, which carried all before it. Oh the sorrows of that night! while the rain poured in unceasing torrents, children cried for food, which was buried in the *débris*, and the shrieks of the wounded filled the air. It is only a little village in Turkey, five hours' horseback ride from Harpoot, — not a great city like Lisbon or London, — but I wish I could be at home for a day, to go to the benevolent men of my dear home church, and beg for help for these poor people, who are houseless, without food, beds, or the necessities of life.

“BY his providence, by his word, by his cloud, by his sunshine, by the world's malignity, by our losses and by our crosses, God teaches: he goes on teaching.

MICRONESIA.

LETTER FROM MRS. SNOW.

WE are permitted to make the following extracts from a private letter from Mrs. Snow of the Micronesian mission : —

“The ‘Morning Star’ reached Ebon on the 20th of October, bringing dear, kind friends, a generous mail, with welcome tidings from our children (from whom our latest dates were a year old), and something new and tempting for our almost exhausted store of foreign provisions. We had looked long and somewhat anxiously for her, as the plan had been mentioned to us of having her return early in the spring, in order to make the long-talked-of exploration westward, to visit islands where churches have been already formed, to place more helpers in the work, and to take possession of some new stations. Mr. Snow decided to go on such an expedition as soon as arrangements could be made; and Capt. Hallet kindly suggested that I should accompany them, which I was very glad to do.

“Our company consisted of three Hawaiian missionaries and their wives, six Christian natives and their wives, a native pastor, a boy from Mejuero who had united with the church while attending our school at Ebon, Miss P—— from America, Mr. Snow, and myself. We left the lagoon on Friday afternoon, and sighted Namerik, sixty-five miles from Ebon, on Saturday. Wishing to spend the sabbath with the Namerik missionary Kaaia and his people, Mr. Snow obtained from Capt. Hallet a boat, and three Hawaiian sailors, to take us to the island. The distance was long; and we reached the outside of the reef about nine o’clock. We despatched a native through the surf to call men to help steady our boat; soon saw a welcome fire on the beach; and not long after a double row of men were ready to take

our boat through the breakers. I seated myself in the bottom of the boat; and, after a short ride in this way, I was carried to the beach by two natives in a hand-chair, placing an arm on each man's shoulder.

"There is no ship anchorage at this island; and our visits there have always been too hurried to allow us to have much acquaintance with the people. Our hearts were rejoiced by the large crowd that gathered to welcome us on the beach and at the missionary's house. Mr. Kaaia has never been ordained; and Mr. Snow has always received the members into the church. At this time, sixteen new ones were admitted (among whom I was glad to notice the two men who carried me to the shore on my arrival), twenty-six children were baptized, and eleven couples were married. They have a neat native church on the lagoon shore, which was well-filled on the sabbath. I counted over two hundred and thirty in the sabbath school, and eighty at the children's meeting. There has been a great deal of interest among the children on this island the past year, as well as in Ebon. Ten of the boys, and twelve of the girls, spoke of their love to Jesus. The female prayer-meeting at two o'clock interested me deeply. They were all more anxious to hear than to speak: so I hardly obtained my share. . . .

"We had a good run to Arno, and entered the lagoon on Friday afternoon. The name of the high chief here is Wigelulg. He came alongside with his canoe in the evening, but, by Mr. Snow's advice, went back to the shore with his retinue, and returned early in the morning. He was a young, pleasant-looking man, and seemed much pleased that the missionaries he had been asking for so long had come. We had an interesting service on shore sabbath morning, under the beautiful shade of fine, large trees, God's own temple, with the clear sky above us. This

was the first public service in Arno; and Mr. Snow proclaimed to them the Creator of all things, who had made and watched over them, although they knew him not, and who had now sent his servants to tell them the way of life and salvation. Miss P—— and I went on shore in the afternoon, and attended a female prayer-meeting, with thirty-nine present. On Monday, we took Wigelung on board for a pilot, and at evening anchored near that part of the island where the missionaries are to be stationed. We were in peril when coming out of the lagoon, and thankful that an almighty arm upheld the children's vessel, and brought our company safely through. Capt. Hallet said God helped him out of the passage.

“The next day we anchored near Shai, the mission-station; and, on going to the shore through the surf, we were met by a crowd of nude native boys. We had heard that two of the high chiefs on the island were at enmity, though half-brothers. They had been twenty miles apart since July, but were preparing to make war upon each other. Mr. Snow's visit was very opportune; and he set himself at once to the work of effecting a settlement. A meeting was brought about between them on the sabbath; and the impression made by it on my mind will not soon be effaced. The chiefs were arrayed in war-costume with plumes made of black and white feathers fastened in their top-knots. When they came together on friendly terms, they both gave these plumes to Mr. Snow, who put them in the button-hole of his coat, while he preached to an audience of four or five hundred, under the shade of palm and bread-fruit trees. The two chiefs were seated together on a little hillock at Mr. Snow's right hand; and all seemed to feel a sensation of great relief that the reconciliation was effected.

“We left them Monday evening, and reached Ebon the

next week, thankful for the proofs we had seen that the seed of the kingdom sown in faithfulness would surely spring up in due season, though the sowers might not be very wise men."

JAPAN.

LETTER FROM MISS TALCOTT.

Kobe, July 10, 1874.

I AM afraid I have not much that will sound like work accomplished to record; but I can tell you that the word is "Onward!" and now and then we can see that the barriers are giving way. The church in Osaka holds its second communion on next sabbath, receiving at least four new members, while others are asking for baptism. The work there has, thus far, been confined to a very quiet part of the city; but recently a room has been rented on one of the principal streets, and fitted up for a chapel and bookstore. As a consequence, their audience increased, in two sabbaths, from thirty or forty to a hundred and fifty.

I have just been to read to the wife of one of the attendants of a former *damio* of Sanda. The man himself was once arrested for having a copy of the Chinese Bible in the house, and, afraid of the government now, will not attend any Christian gathering, nor allow his wife to do so. His children come to our services, if they wish to; and he does not hesitate to say that he thinks the Bible is true. He is glad to have us read the Scriptures with his wife, who cannot understand half the words, if she reads it alone. As we were reading to-day, he came in, and listened until we finished the sixth chapter of Matthew. Afterwards he spoke of the hatred of the government for the Bible, giving it as

a reason for not listening to it publicly; and I quoted to him Jesus' own words to his disciples, commencing, "Fear not them that kill the body." He answered, "I know that; but I shall wait." I felt that what I had said made no impression on him; and I could say no more. All the other dependents of the *damio* are kept back by this one man who is influential among them.

A woman who has just begun to come to church walked home with me last sabbath. She said she did not often have an opportunity to leave home, as her husband was very exacting. And then she wanted to know, if she asked Jesus to let her live five years longer, if he would grant her request. She is not strong, and probably will not live very long. I told her that Jesus wished her to ask for every thing she wanted; that he knew when it was best for her to die, and, if he did not grant her just what she asked, he would surely give her something better. She said she wanted to live longer to study the Bible. And, when I told her we should have a long eternity to learn of Jesus, I wish you could have seen her glad look of surprise. I think she was getting, for the first time, the idea of a happy activity in heaven, so in contrast with the Buddhist notion of unconscious existence, which is practically annihilation! This Bible-reading with the women is a very hopeful, blessed work. Some, indeed, consent to read it, because they are too polite to refuse; but such ones often become much interested in the truth. For "how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?"

In another letter Miss Talcott writes, —

"I am glad to improve the opportunity of adding my testimony to the wonderful way in which the work is opening before us. Besides the preaching service, the sabbath school, the prayer-meetings, a class for Bible studies four evenings in the week, the daily morning prayers in three

of our mission-houses, where the Bible is studied, not carelessly read, and our school of twenty-four girls and women, — besides these, we find work in the homes all around us, where the talks about the Bible are either tolerated or invited.

“While our hearts and hands are so full here, the time seems to be at hand when some of our number may go into the interior. If we only had a corps of laborers to enter in and take possession in the name of the Master! Our native Christians are convinced of their responsibility in the work, and are anxious to scatter the seed, but feel deeply their need of training.

“Of the four women who have united with the church, one is teaching a class of children in the sabbath school, adapting her language to their understanding as no foreigner could do. Another has brought her husband into the church, and is ready for work anywhere; while still another has gone with Miss Dudley and her teacher to Sanda, for a week or two, to try to reach the women there. Mr. Davis’s efforts in that place have affected the men only; and we are hoping much from this effort to teach the women. The church-membership in Kobe will soon be doubled; and we trust all, as they come in, will be as earnest workers as the eleven now enrolled. Of the girls in the school I have much hope that several of them are Christians. I know they are praying in their homes. We hope soon to be able to open a boarding-school. We ought to have talented, experienced teachers, that our girls may receive religious and secular training that shall fit them to teach others.

“It is a great privilege to be here, to be able to tell something of Christ, and to hear the frequent response of surprise and gratitude. I need not ask you to bear on your hearts in prayer these souls in whom we are interested.

There must be some among you who know how to prevail with God. We shall never know in this world how much such prayers have done for these dark souls in Japan."

Since these letters were written, two young ladies have been called for to assist in the opening work in Japan. Who will go? And who will assume their support?

ITEMS.

A GIRLS' PRAYER-MEETING. — Miss Lindley writes as follows of the pupils in Mrs. Edwards's school in South Africa: —

"I can hardly dare to say that the Lord honors us with his presence, yet we feel he does come. There are two prayer-meetings every night and morning, — the large girls in the schoolroom, and the little ones in the sitting-room. This evening I attended the little girls' meeting: one of their number, about twelve years old, conducted the service. She read John's account of the resurrection of our Saviour. I was astonished, and wondered where that child had learned such a knowledge of faith in, and love for, Christ. She said she hoped she 'would grow up on that chapter,' that to her it was 'a very precious one.' She pictured it all very eloquently, and showed how thoroughly she understood and felt the truth. These twelve young children talked and prayed in turn, and 'told their hearts,' as they expressed it in English; and, if I had taken down all their words, you would have thought I had copied a few pages out of some memoir. I thought to myself, what heartfelt thanks I would render to God, if he would come this minute and take these children, and land them on the other shore: but here they are yet to grow up; and we know how weak they are when tempted."

THE GOSPEL HOLE. — Years ago the place of prayer in the city of Choonkoosh adjoined the house of a family who looked with horror upon a place of Protestant worship. But the mother's curiosity could not resist the temptation to make, through the mud walls, a hole large enough for one of her ears. Through this hole enough gospel leaked to save her soul. She became an earnest Christian. All of her large family are Protestants, and several of them church-members. — *Harpoot News*.

As our ladies go about the city, on missionary work intent, they are frequently hailed as "Satan's wife." Now this is not very pleasant; but they have the comfort of thinking, that, as his Satanic Majesty is able to transform himself into an angel of light, he might beguile some very excellent woman into becoming his wife. This consolation, however, was wanting, when, on going to pay a visit of condolence to an afflicted family, the woman who opened the door fled from them as from a pestilence; and when, having pressed forward until they found the inmates of the house, another woman greeted them with, "We looked for friends, and Satan came." — *Whiffs from Ararat*.

MR. AND MRS. CAPRON sailed from New York for India, Sept. 12. They carry with them the warm interest and good wishes of hosts of friends. May they not also find added strength and success in their chosen work through many prayers in their behalf?

WE have been rejoiced to hear of the safe arrival at Mardin of Rev. and Mrs. Bell, and Miss Sears. Thus the storm-cloud of affliction was succeeded by the bow of promise for that circle and work. Old and valued friends, as they are to a part of our Erzroom circle, we are only too glad to welcome them to our mission-band. — *Whiffs from Ararat*.

Our Work at Home.

THE MISSIONARY CONCERT.

Is the work of the Woman's Board reported at your monthly concert, dear reader? If not, is there any reason why it should not be? It cannot be because it is unimportant. A work that reaches the children, who are to be the men and women of the next generation, and elevates the mothers, through whose influence their characters are formed, must surely be an important one. Most probably the reason of the omission is, that no special person has the matter in charge; and it may depend on you who read these lines to see that it is done in your own church. Can you not prepare some sketch of woman's missionary work, a collection of facts or incidents; and, if you do not wish to present it yourself, place it in the hands of some good brother, who shall be your spokesman? Our young ladies go hand in hand with the missionaries of the American Board, assisting in all their undertakings, supplementing their labors as no one else could do; and do they not deserve an honored mention in the home-gatherings? They have many solitary hours and peculiar trials, which those who are "set in families" cannot know; and should they not be remembered in the great concert of prayer?

Is it not a delightful thought to us, as well as to them, that, during the first week of every month, bands of Christians all over the world are coming together to talk and pray over the grandest work in all the ages, — the conversion of a world to Christ? Two or three missionary families in some little upper room in China, forgetting their

own discouragements, send up earnest petitions for similarly burdened ones. An intelligent company of Christian natives assemble in a mission-chapel, like that of which Miss Bush tells us on another page, where one after another of those who have come out from darkness tell the story of patient labor, and often of persecution. In the little churches in Africa, too, a missionary writes that the monthly concert is not forgotten. "Greenland's Icy Mountains" in Zulu rings out upon the air; and women and children, and even little babies, contribute their mites, that others may hear the gospel. In company with these gatherings, thousands of Christians assemble in our own land for the same great object. All are moved with one great purpose, all sending to the throne of grace one grand petition, "Thy kingdom come." Is it not a privilege to belong to this world-wide company? Is it not a loss to our own souls when we fail to meet with them around one common mercy-seat?

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS FROM AUG. 18 TO SEPT. 18.

MRS. BENJAMIN E. BATES, TREASURER.

MAINE.

Maine Branch.—Mrs. Woodbury S. Dana, Treas.; Bangor, "Dacotah Workers," by L. W. Roberts, for the Home, \$50; Madison, Aux., \$5; Winslow, Aux., add'l, \$2, \$57 00

Total, \$57 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

New Hampshire Branch.—Miss Abby McIntire, Treas.; Mason, Aux., \$8; Canaan, Mrs. Sarah Harris, \$10, \$18 00

Sullivan.—Ladies of Cong. Ch., add'l, 1 65

Wakefield.—Little People's Fair at Hotel, \$1 10

Total, \$20 75

VERMONT.

Vermont Branch.—Mrs. Geo. H. Fox, Treas.; Brandon, Aux., of which \$25 to const. L. M. Mrs. Franklin Tuxbury, \$35.25; Georgia, Aux., \$10; Burlington, Aux., \$30 for Mrs. Park's salary; Wallingford, Mrs. Lyman Batcheller, \$1; Rutland, by the late Rev. W. Perkins, to const. L. M. Miss Hattie C. Perkins, \$25; Brattleboro', Mrs. Henry

Glover, to const. herself L. M.,	
\$25; St. Albans, 1st Cong. Ch.,	
Aux., \$242.25,	\$368 50
Putney.—Mrs. Harriet A. Foster,	3 00
Total,	\$371 50

MASSACHUSETTS.

Andover.—Aux., add'l,	\$3 00
Arlington.—Mrs. John Field,	50 00
Ayer.—Cong. S. S., Mrs. Rolfe's	
cl., towards pupil in Miss	
Proctor's sch.,	5 00
Beverly.—Dane St. Ch., "Ivy	
Leaves,"	5 00
Braintree.—A friend, to const.	
L. M. Mrs. Rhoda S. Hill,	25 00
Brockton.—Aux., towards Miss	
Williams's salary,	60 00
Boston.—Berkely St. Ch.,	
Ladies' Weekly Pledge,	10 75
Cambridgeport.—Aux., Mrs.	
W. H. Hidden,	5 00
Clinton.—Aux.,	17 62
Charlestown.—Winthrop Ch.,	24 00
Cohasset.—A friend, to const.	
L. M. Mrs. Edwin Bailey,	25 00
Chester.—2d Cong. Ch., Mrs. E.	
A. Smith,	10 00
Chelsea.—Central Ch., Aux.,	110 25
Dorchester.—2d Ch., Aux., of	
which \$3 from Mrs. Wilson,	
\$13; out-door sale of two cls.	
of the S. S., \$84.35 for Miss	
Clarke,	97 35
Everett.—Miss Esther Oakes,	1 50
Fitchburg.—C. C. Ch., Aux.,	23 00
Groton.—Union Cong. Ch.,	
Aux., \$10; Mrs. E. P. Shum-	
way, to const. L. M. Mrs.	
Joseph Wood, \$25,	35 00
Granby.—Aux.,	55 15
Hanover.—Mrs. S. M. Stone,	5 00
Holyoke.—2d Cong. Ch., Mrs.	
James H. Newton, Tr., to	
const. L. M.'s Mrs. Abby J.	
Trask, Mrs. Marvin Prentiss,	
Mrs. Geo. C. Ewing, Mrs. G.	
F. Crowell, Mrs. J. E. Kellogg,	
Miss Agnes R. Allyn, Miss M.	
Lizzie Stratton,	175 00
Housatonic.—Cong. Ch. and	
Soc'y,	17 50
Lakeville.—Friends,	5 00
Lee.—Aux., of which \$30 for	
pupil in Mrs. Edwards's sch.,	200 00
Lincoln.—1st Ch. S. S., for	
pupil in Miss Payson's sch.,	40 00
Monterey.—Aux.,	2 50
Newburyport.—Aux., towards	
sal'y of Mrs. Tomson, \$134;	

"North Ch. Mission-Circle,"	
for two pupils in Mrs. Ed-	
wards's sch., \$60; "Campbell	
Mission-Circle," towards sal'y	
Mrs. Tomson, \$50,	\$244 00
No. Beverly.—Mrs. Rebecca	
Conant,	5 00
Northampton.—Edwards Ch.,	
Aux., add'l,	1 50
Sutton.—Mrs. M. A. Tracy, to	
const. L. M. Miss Wealthy W.	
Sabin,	25 00
Walpole.—Mrs. J. S. Tenney,	5 00
Wayland.—Miss Susan Grout,	5 00
West Brookfield.—Cong. Ch.,	
Young People's cl.,	10 00
West Amesbury.—Aux.,	60 35
Williamsburg.—Juvenile Miss'y	
Soc'y and S. S.,	20 00
Worcester.—Old South Cong.	
S. S., \$40; Woman's Miss'y	
Asso., of which \$59.13 from	
Salem St. Ch., and \$30 from	
Central Ch., \$94.13,	134 13
Yarmouth.—"Little Sea-Birds,"	3 00
Total,	\$1,520 60

C. Home Building-Fund.

Chelsea.—Central Cong. Ch.,	
Aux., Miss E. F. Wilder's	
S. S. cl.,	\$30 00
Woburn.—Aux., towards dor-	
mitory,	18 00

CONNECTICUT.

*New Haven Branch.**—(From June 11 to Aug. 29), Miss Julia Twining, Treas. East Haddam, Aux., A friend, to const. Miss Lucy Montague of Brookfield, Mass., L. M., \$25. East Haven, "Little Workers," \$18. Madison, Aux. (of which \$40 fr. S. S. of 1st Church, to be appropriated to a scholarship in the sch. at Marsovan; through the "Willing Hearts," Dea. David Fiske of Shelburne, Mass., to const. Fannie T. Fiske of Madison, L. M., \$25), \$65. Mt. Carmel, "Mt. C. Gleaners," \$31. New Britain, South Church, Aux. (of which \$25 fr. Mrs. Sam'l Rockwell to const. herself L. M., \$25 fr. Mrs. Wm. H. Smith to const. herself L. M., \$25 fr. Miss Maria S. Kelsey to const. herself L. M.), \$100. New Haven, College St., Aux., \$13.

* The item at the close of the New Haven Branch in the August number, "reserved for expenses," &c., by a misprint reads \$4,034.09, when it should be \$434.09.

Fair Haven, 1st Cong. Church, Aux. (of which \$25 to const. Mrs. Lyman Parker L. M., \$25 fr. Mrs. Burdett Hart to const. Mrs. E. Edwin Hall L. M., \$25 fr. Mrs. Sam'l Bishop's S. S. class to const. her L. M., \$25 fr. Mrs. Willis Hemingway to const. Miss Georgiana Hemingway L. M., \$25 fr. Miss Julia M. Williams to const. herself L. M., \$25 fr. Mrs. Sam'l Hemingway to const. herself L. M.), \$150.
 Third Church, Aux., Mrs. R. S. Chidsey, to const. Mrs. David Murdoch L. M., \$25.
 North Brandford, Aux., \$12.
 Northfield, Aux., \$33.
 Norwalk, Aux. (Ladies' Church Association, \$100; Young Ladies' Mission Band, \$50, with request to be appropriated to the work in Mexico; \$25 fr. Mrs. L. J. Curtiss to const. herself L. M.), \$175.
 Old Saybrook, Aux., \$35.85.
 Somers, Aux., \$3.
 Washington, Aux. (of which \$15 to complete pay't for L. M.'ship of Mrs. J. C. Calhoun), \$19.
 Watertown, Aux., Woman's Missionary Association, for support of a B. R., \$40.
 West Winsted, \$26.09.
 Bridgeport, "Willing Workers," for scholarships in the Preparatory sch. at Marsovan, \$175.
 Colebrook, Aux., \$12.
 Litchfield, Aux., \$33.55 (\$6 more having been used for expenses of Miss'y Ladies at meeting).
 Mt. Carmel, Aux., with prev. contri. for scholarship in sch. at Kobe, Japan, \$10.
 Waterbury, Aux., of which \$25 from Mrs. Ruth W. Carter to const. herself L. M., and \$50 from Mrs. Chas. Benedict to const. L. M.'s Mrs. A. C. Benedict and Miss L. B. Benedict, \$149.70.
 Norfolk, Aux., of which \$25 from Mrs. Sarah Eldridge to const. herself L. M., \$42.50.
 Additional, \$279.06, \$1,472 75
Bethel.—J. R. Allen, to const. L. M. Mrs. Ruth N. Benedict, 25 00
Darien.—"Ox Ridge Mission-Circle," 1 50
New Britain.—Mrs. Louisa Nichols, 10 00
Naugatuck.—Cong. Ch., and Soc'y, 50 00
Norwich Town.—Lathrop Memorial Soc'y, 25 00

Suffield.—Ladies' Foreign Miss'y Soc'y, \$104 25
Stafford Springs.—Aux., Cong. Ch., 16 50
Thompson.—"S." 2 00
 Total, \$1,707 00

NEW YORK.

Homer.—Aux., \$58 50
Oswego.—Cong. Ch., 9 50
Richville.—Cong. S. S., \$1.25;
 "Morning Star" cl., \$2.15;
 "Evening Star" cl., \$1.80, 5 20
Richmond.—"Happy Workers," \$15; a few friends, \$21, 36 00
West Groton.—Aux., 12 50
 Total, \$121 70

ILLINOIS.

Freeport.—1st Presb. Ch., Mrs. O. B. Bidwell, \$10 00
 Total, \$10 00

IOWA.

Grinnell.—Mrs. Taylor, \$5; L. R. Brainard, \$1, \$6 00
 Total, \$6 00

MINNESOTA.

Chatfield.—Presb. S. S., towards "Geta" pupil in Mrs. Bissell's sch., \$22 00
East Claremont.—Belle and Nellie Dodge, 4 00
 Total, \$26 00

NEBRASKA.

Columbus.—Ladies' Soc'y, \$5 50
 Total, \$5 50

SOUTH AFRICA.

Umzunduzie.—Nellie Tyler, \$1 25
 Total, \$1 25

Donations, \$3,847 30
 C. Home Building-Fund, 48 00
 "Life and Light," 310 00
 "Echoes," 54 04
 Weekly Pledge, 10 95
 Leaflets, 8 03
 Interest on Baldwin Fund, 330 00
 Total, \$4,608 32

MISS EMMA CARRUTH, Asst. Treas.

Department of the Interior.

MEXICO.

LETTER FROM MRS. WATKINS.

GUADALAJARA, July 9, 1874.

FOR two months we were obliged to be prisoners, so to speak, in the hotel, in order that we might have more security, as we expected that the same fate that befell Mr. Stephens might befall us. But the excitement has been quelled; and we are again hard at work in our "own hired house."

We miss Mr. Stephens more and more every day. A model man and a model missionary was he in every respect. He consecrated his *all* to the work; and I doubt not that he is now receiving a glorious reward. My husband mourns deeply his death. They were bound together in love, hopes, and aims, by ties indissoluble save by death itself. Since his assassination, there has been more of timidity on the part of the people; and some have ceased to follow with us: but we are not discouraged; for we remember that the same occurred to our blessed Lord. He even asked his chosen twelve, "*Will ye also go away?*"

In the midst of all our discouragements we have one great encouragement; that is, that so many copies of the Scriptures have been sold and circulated during the last two months, — more than ever before in the same length of time; also many good books. If the people do not dare to come to our house and services, they will have the word of God in their own homes, which will yet prove a great power.

We ask you not to forget us; for should there be a revolution here, as some predict, in the time of the elections, during the latter part of the year, it will be an appropriate time for the excited populace to have an excuse to work against us; but our trust is in the Lord.

TURKEY.

THE FAMINE.

BY MRS. SCHNEIDER.

MARSOVAN, May 25, 1874.

SOME time since my arrival, I have written of our having safely crossed stormy seas and oceans, and of our last exhausting ride of three days and a half, mostly over snow-covered mountains. The winter was unparalleled for cold and deep snow; and turning aside from the narrow bridle-path into the snow-drifts was impossible. I counted more dead horses than living, one day, — fallen from broken limbs or exhaustion. It was very difficult to keep in the narrow bridle-path made by the steps of horses that had preceded us. Then famine had followed drought; and thousands of animals had been killed for lack of provender. You should have seen me mounted on my poor, bony, scraggy animal. I want to tell you of the poor famished creatures that come, four, seven, and even ten days' journey to beg bread, because of famine. Parents have been known to kill their children not to *see them starve*. The harrowing stories I could tell you! Not an hour, but some poor beggar claims charity. For a few days they have been at work bringing stones on their backs to make a road through our yard to the students' yard in the rear. One of the missionaries has given fifteen pounds out of his own salary. We feared another

season of drought. Our church had two days' fasting; but, thank the Lord! rain has come. Our boxes have not yet all come, because, from dearth of animals, freight is so high.

CHINA.

BIBLE-PICTURES USEFUL.

THE pictures mentioned were about ten inches by fourteen in size, a gift from one of the members of the Board.

"The Scripture-pictures so kindly sent me by Mrs. B. and yourself have already done good service among the native women. A few days after they reached me, the matron of the girls' school at P. called, and with her a young, girlish-looking person, a stranger to me. The matron, although unable to read the 'character,' has a good knowledge of the Bible, and is a live Christian. I gave them the pictures to look at; and she explained each one clearly, doing it as though she enjoyed it. I noticed, too, that the younger woman made remarks often, which showed that she was not entirely ignorant of Bible truth. Upon inquiry, I found that she was a daughter of one of our mission-helpers. She is a married woman, with one child, although she looked very young. Her husband is a wretched opium-smoker, and takes all she can earn by teaching, and otherwise, to buy his opium. Thus she, a professing Christian, meekly endures all this, which is like being chained to a dead body.

"The pictures are very useful, too, in our sabbath-evening exercises with the servants. One old Chinese Christian woman seems especially to enjoy looking them over, and telling what she knows of the scenes illustrated.

THE BRIDGE OF TEN THOUSAND AGES.

Since the rains set in, there have been two floods. The first caused the river to rise to such a height as to sweep down many boats, and hundreds of rafts of timber and wood. These were all lodged above the long bridge which we cross when going to the foreign settlement on Chang Seng Island. By the Chinese it is called the "Bridge of Ten Thousand Ages," and is reported to have been built eight hundred years ago. It is nearly one-quarter of a mile long, and thirteen feet broad. It is built entirely of hewn granite, having nearly forty solid buttresses. Some of the stones used as sleepers are forty-five feet long and three feet square. Formerly the top of the bridge was partly taken up with shops; now it is only occupied by many little stalls for fruit, cakes, and toys, and is usually pretty well crowded with sedan and foot passengers. For two days this bridge was rendered impassable by the crowd of people. Some were looking on; but more were there for plunder, carrying away the logs and timber for their own use. On the bridge were officers with long bamboo-poles, which they used as reminders when the people crowded too hard. Many lost their lives, who were so eager for the plunder, that they would step on the logs, which were very unsafe, and sink down into the water, and nothing more be seen of them. During the last flood, the water in the South Gate was more than two feet and a half deep, coming up into the sedans more than six inches; and often men were carried through on the backs of coolies. Finally, as the water became higher, boats were used. These Chinese are the people for emergencies. Fire and flood will not overcome their ingenuity; for they will set up their shops in the midst of either, and carry on their business, no matter what befall them.

A. C. W.

Home Department.

TWO MISSIONARY WOMEN.

LYDIA BROWN.

BY MRS. H. E. BAKER.

MANY years before the birth of our present Woman's Boards of Missions, there were here and there women who gave themselves heartily to the missionary work, who not only prayed, "Thy kingdom come," but set about doing what they could to hasten that coming.

Among these were two single ladies, each from small and obscure towns in cold and bleak New Hampshire.

Lydia Brown had no great intellectual gifts, no special culture, or school-book knowledge; but she had a warm heart, an earnest desire to do something that should benefit her fellows, and glorify the Master. Among the earliest re-enforcements of the Sandwich Island mission, then in its infancy, she went out, with the humble ambition of teaching the native women there to spin and weave and sew. Little scope, however, was found for her industry and skill in these branches, the women needed so little clothing, and desired even less than the missionaries thought needful.

Nearly forty years after she left New Hampshire (and she never returned), when Mr. and Mrs. Coan made their memorable visit here, a lady who in childhood had heard of Miss Brown, inquired concerning her history. And Mrs. Coan's reply was to the effect, that, in point of usefulness,

no lady of that mission had, perhaps, really exceeded Miss Brown. "For," said she, "what she could not do herself, she enabled others to do. She helped in every way; taking care of babies, nursing sick mothers, lifting burdens from the weak, and cheering the fainting ones, yet never accounting herself as worthy of more than a secondary place."

The other sketch will be deferred to a future number.

In Memoriam.

Died suddenly, of heart-disease, on Saturday, Sept. 12, at Berne, Switzerland, Charlotte A. Bartlett, wife of Rev. William Alvin Bartlett of Chicago, and daughter of Walter P. Flanders, Esq., of Milwaukee.

The telegram that brought these sad tidings brought, also, sorrow deep and abiding to many a fireside. She whom we loved, and for whose return to her native land we were longing, has gone to the "better land," by a quick passage, which involved the crossing of no tempestuous seas.

Mrs. BARTLETT was a woman who commanded the respect and admiring interest of all whom she met, but who was cherished with singular affection in the hearts of those who were permitted to call her their friend. And her friends are numbered by hundreds. In Milwaukee, where her earlier years were passed; in Brooklyn, which received her a lovely bride, and where ten years of her married life were made radiant and memorable to all who knew her, by her graceful, loving, and faithful performance of ever accumulating duties; in Plymouth Church, Chicago, which has witnessed five years of maturer labors,—in each of these places, in the circle in which she moved, will her memory be cherished; and many a household will mourn her as one of their own, for she possessed that largeness of soul, that wide sympathy with all classes and all hearts, which peculiarly fitted her to be the pastor's wife.

One can well believe that to the poor and the lowly this free gift of womanly and Christian sympathy was enhanced in value tenfold by the sweet dignity of her bearing, the queenly grace and beauty of her person.

Possessing rare intellectual and artistic gifts and attainments, she

denied herself their exercise, dearly as she loved such employments, whenever they seemed to conflict with the duties of her position.

Her rich mental endowments, strengthened by persistent culture, enabled her to share, as she constantly did, in her husband's literary labors: she was his amanuensis, his helper, his cherished counsellor.

For more than three years she was a member of the Executive Committee of the W. B. M. I.; during the first year as Corresponding Secretary, — a position for which she was peculiarly fitted, but which she resigned as demanding more time than her husband and parish could give. She was then chosen Manager, and, later, Vice-President. To us who knew her in these relations, there will always remain sweet memories of her kindling interest in the work, and her bright, beautiful presence, itself an inspiration.

As a missionary board, we would express our deep grief at the loss we have sustained. In hours of bereavement and overshadowing darkness like this, what a revelation comes to us of the power and love of the Consoler, Christ! Even such sorrow he has promised to heal.

To me the intelligence came at Bethlehem in the White Mountains; and among that circle, gathered by chance, was one who knew and loved her, and who told me in the quiet parlor much of her earlier life which I had not known, — her childish beauty, the charming atmosphere of her home, her absorbing love of study, and the circumstances of her first consecration to Christ, — a consecration unwavering, entire. She was his, and he has taken her; and how graciously! Her purified spirit, revelling in the beauty of the alpine heights, caught a vision of the "heavenly hills," "the glory that excelleth," and left us to return no more.

M. E. B.

SEPT. 25, 1874.

RECEIPTS OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE INTERIOR.

FOR THE MONTH ENDING SEPT. 15, 1874.

MRS. FRANCIS BRADLEY, TREASURER.

OHIO.

Hudson. — Miss Emly E. Metcalf, for the support of a Bible-reader at the Mahratta Mission,

Marietta. — Aux., \$19; collected

\$40 00

by Mrs. J. Andrews towards decrease of debt, \$36,	\$55 00
<i>Zanesville.</i> — "A friend" for expenses of Rahel's lawsuit, by Mrs. Cofing,	10 00

Total, \$105 00

INDIANA.

<i>Fort Wayne.</i> — Plymouth Ch. S. S., by J. B. Fairbank,	\$12 00
Total,	\$12 00

MICHIGAN.

<i>East Saginaw.</i> — Aux., \$95, Mrs. Hayden, Treas.; Teacher's Miss'y Circle, \$10, L. Palmer, Treas., to be applied to the salary of Miss Corinna Shattuck,	\$105 00
<i>Jackson.</i> — Aux., to const. Mrs. A. A. Bliss, Mrs. C. B. Pettin-gill, Mrs. G. W. Ransom, Mrs. G. T. Gridley, Mrs. B. J. Helmer, Mrs. S. S. Willing, Mrs. G. H. Wolcott, Mrs. W. R. Knickerbocker, L. M.'s., Mrs. George Lathrop, Treas.,	200 00
<i>Litchfield.</i> — "Shining Lights," Miss C. A. Turrell, Treas.,	20 00
<i>Royalton.</i> — Aux., Mrs. M. L. Read, Treas.,	4 00
Total,	\$329 00

ILLINOIS.

<i>Alton.</i> — Aux., Miss Ellen M. Pierce, Treas.,	\$13 00
<i>Aurora.</i> — Aux., Mrs. G. F. Ruggles, Treas.,	12 20
<i>Chicago.</i> — A friend, toward home expenses,	5 00
<i>Chicago.</i> — New-England Ch., Aux., for salary of Miss Chapin,	30 10
<i>Chicago.</i> — Plymouth Ch., Aux.,	8 00
<i>Evanston.</i> — Aux., for salary of Miss Porter, of which \$50 from S. B. Bradley to const. Miss T. G. Ruggles and Miss Clara Ruggles L. M.'s.,	100 70
<i>Glencoe.</i> — Aux., for salary of Miss Bishop,	8 25
<i>Oak Park.</i> — Aux., for the Man-issa school, Mrs. H. M. Sher-man, Treas.,	53 15
<i>Oak Park.</i> — Dimes by the way,	1 50
<i>Odel.</i> — Aux., Mrs. B. F. Hotch-kiss, Treas.,	5 00
<i>Payson.</i> — Aux., in which Miss Ellen Thompson's life-mem-ber-ship is completed,	8 25
<i>Plainfield.</i> — Aux., Mrs. S. E. Royce, Treas.,	35 80
<i>Quincey.</i> — Aux., for salary of Miss Evans, Miss E. Little-field, Treas.,	34 00

EVANSTON, Sept. 15, 1874.

<i>Waverly.</i> — Aux., for salary of Miss Evans,	\$16 00
Total,	\$330 95

WISCONSIN.

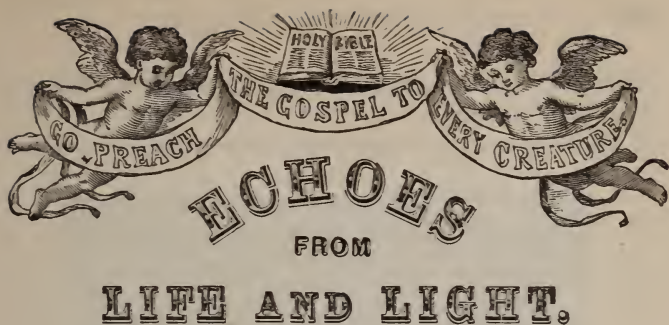
<i>Beloit.</i> — 1st Ch. Aux., pro-ceeds of flowers sent from China, by Mrs I. R. Williams, Mrs. A. L. Chapin, Treas.,	\$20 00
<i>Sharon.</i> — Cong'l Ch., by Mrs. M. S. Young,	6 90
<i>Sparta.</i> — Aux., for a pupil in the Manissa school,	27 75
<i>Wauwatosa.</i> — Aux., Mrs. S. G. Wheeler,	18 40
Total,	\$72 15

IOWA.

<i>Clay.</i> — D. B. Eells, to const. Mrs. Camilla C. Eells a L. M.,	\$25 00
<i>Davenport.</i> — Mrs. Marianne Willis,	5 00
<i>Fairfax.</i> — Aux., \$11.88; Chil-dren's Mission Circle, \$1.50, Mrs. Lettie Hedges, Treas.,	13 38
<i>Keokuk.</i> — Aux., for pupil in Erzroom, Miss M. Collins, Sec.,	5 00
<i>Lyons.</i> — Aux., for salary of Miss Day, Mrs. S. J. Smith, Treas.,	30 00
<i>Mason City.</i> — Children of, by Rev. W. P. Bennett,	3 25
<i>McGregor.</i> — Aux., for Bible-readers in the Harpoot Mis-sion, and to complete the life-membership of Miss Catharine Gilchrist. Mrs. R. Grant, Sec.,	9 40
<i>Osage.</i> — Woman's Cent, Soc., by Mrs. T. O. Douglass,	3 66
<i>Sabula.</i> — Aux., Mrs. H. H. Wood, Treas.,	10 00
Total,	\$104 69

MINNESOTA.

<i>Minneapolis.</i> — Aux., for salary of Miss Lindley, E. J. Gray, Treas.,	75 00
<i>St. Paul.</i> — Aux., for salary of Miss Lindley, Mrs. H. H. Howard, Sec., New York,	25 00
<i>Angola.</i> — Aux., N Y. for salary of Mrs. Walker of China,	10 00
Total,	\$110 00
Total,	\$1,053 79



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CHINA.

CHINESE CHILDREN.



CHINESE children resemble, in some respects, the little ones whose merry voices and cunning ways bring joy and sunshine into so many American homes. The romping, frolicsome plays of childhood are as common, and as pleasant to look upon, in China, as in England and America.

In China, the boys are treated with some consideration, while the girls experience harshness and neglect. A family that contains several boys is often congratulated; but a family of girls excites for the parents general commiseration.

The school-house is seen in every town and village; but only boys can attend, and of these probably not more than ten in a hundred receive the benefits which the school affords.

The studies which these boys pursue are quite above their comprehension; and the teachers hear the recitations

without giving any explanation of the subjects which engage their attention.

The little ones are taught, very early in life, to reverence



and worship the family idols, which occupy a prominent place in every household. How well *we* know that the gods which these children ignorantly worship are utterly unable to bestow any blessing or favor upon them!

Forty years ago, there was hardly a family in all that vast empire that knew God, and worshipped him as God; but, in these days, Christian families are numbered by the thousand, and very many are the children who are constantly instructed out of the Scriptures.

The *home* in China is very different from that in which our early days are spent in Christian America. Pleasant looks and kind words are seldom seen and heard by a Chinese child. The law regards parents as the absolute masters of the children; and any punishment, even death itself, may be visited upon those who are disobedient and refractory.

While the portrait of childhood in China contains so much that is dark and saddening, it is cheering to know that sabbath schools, boarding and day schools, in some of the Chinese cities, are training up many children who will, one day, wake up to a realization of what is meant by Christian manhood and womanhood.

That which gives special strength and encouragement to the missionary who is endeavoring to instruct and elevate the heathen children is the knowledge that the young people in the American churches and sabbath schools are constantly praying for and working for the benighted little ones of Japan and Turkey and China.

May the mission-circles greatly increase in number! and may all their members receive, in large measure, that blessing from on high, which they long to have poured out on the millions of children who know not that Christ loves them, and has provided for them a way of salvation!

A. O. T.

“For we must share, if we would keep
That blessing from above;
Ceasing to give, we cease to have, —
Such is the law of love.”



VISHNU.

THIS very queer looking picture — if it was colored, you would see that it was a blue man dressed in yellow clothes — represents Vishnu, one of the three gods that compose the holy trinity of India. His special followers think he is superior to the other two, Brahma and Siva, for this reason. Once upon a time, when some holy men were offering sacrifices to these three gods, they began to dispute as to which was the greatest: at last they decided to send

one of their number, Bhrigu by name, to heaven to find out the truth of the matter. First he went to the abodes of Brahma and Shiva, who both became very angry because they thought he didn't treat them with proper respect, and drove him from their presence. When he reached the dwelling-place of Vishnu, he found him asleep, and struck him on the breast with his foot, — a worse insult than he had offered to either of the others. But Vishnu, calmly descending from his couch, said, "Welcome to thee, O Brahman! Be seated for a little, and deign to excuse the hurt which your very tender feet must have received." Then he rubbed the feet of Bhrigu, and added, "To-day am I a highly honored vessel, since thou, O lord, hast imprinted upon my breast the dust of thy feet, which dispels all sin." Bhrigu was so touched by these kind words, that tears came to his eyes, and he went away in silence. When he returned to the holy men, he told them all that had happened; and they immediately decided that Vishnu was the greatest of the gods, because he showed neither impatience nor anger.

Vishnu often assumed different shapes for special purposes. Once, when the earth was covered with water by a flood, he took the form of a boar, and, plunging into the water, brought the earth to the surface with his tusks. At another time, he became an immense tortoise, and held the world in its place, while two of the other gods churned the ocean with a large mountain to make an immortal beverage for the gods to drink. At one time, there was a war among the gods; and a part of them, under their leader Bali, drove the others from heaven. The conquered gods asked Vishnu to help them: to do so, he took the form of a dwarf, and, by offering sacrifices, obtained a promise from Bali that he would give him as much ground as he could comprise in three steps. As soon as the pledge was given,

he was no longer a dwarf; and his three steps comprised the earth, mid-air, and heaven: so, to keep his promise, Bali was obliged to retire with his followers to the lower regions, and allow the other gods to return to their places.

If I should tell you all the stories about Vishnu, contained in the holy books in India, I think you would say they were the most wonderful fairy-tales you ever heard. But it would take a great many books ten times as large as "Echoes" to hold them all, and I cannot give you any more of them this time. Perhaps some day I will tell you about Brahma and Siva.

MISSION-CIRCLES.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

MAINE. — *Bangor*. — "Dacotah Workers," \$50.00.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. — *Wakefield*. — Little People's Fair at Hotel, \$1.10.

MASSACHUSETTS. — *Beverly*. — Dane-street Church, "Ivy Leaves," \$5.00.

Newburyport. — North Church Mission-Circle, \$60.00; Campbell Mission-Circle, \$50.00.

Williamsburg. — Juvenile Missionary Society and Sabbath School \$20.00.

Yarmouth. — "Little Sea-birds," 3.00.

CONNECTICUT. — *Darien*. — "Ox-Ridge Mission-Circle," \$1.50.

NEW HAVEN BRANCH. — *East Haven*. — "Little Workers," \$18.00.

Madison. — "Willing Hearts," \$25.00.

Mt. Carmel. — "Mt. Carmel Gleaners," \$31.00.

Bridgeport. — "Willing Workers," \$175.00.

NEW YORK. — *Richville*. — Congregational Sabbath School, \$1.25; Morning-star Circle, \$2.15; Evening-star Circle, \$1.80.

Richmond. — "Happy Workers," \$15.00.

MINNESOTA. — *East Claremont*. — Belle and Nellie Dodge, \$4.00.

SOUTH AFRICA. — *Umzunduzi*. — Nellie Tyler, \$1.25.

INDIANA. — *Fort Wayne*. — Plymouth Church Sabbath School, \$12.00.

MICHIGAN. — *Litchfield*. — "Shining Lights," \$20.00.

IOWA. — *Fairfax*. — Children's Mission-Circle \$1.50.

Mason City. — Children of, \$3.25.

LETTER FROM NELLIE TYLER.

THOSE of our young readers who use our missionary boxes may like to hear about one that was taken to Africa by the little daughter of Mr. Tyler, the missionary. This is what she tells us about it, —

UMZUNDUZI, February, 1874.

As Auntie Mellen is going to America, I thought it would be a good plan to send my money by her for you to give to the heathen. We have some heathen here; but I don't want to give this money to them, because it came from my missionary box that you gave me, and we can give other things to the heathen here. When I have a dress or an apron that is too small, I always find some little child smaller than I am to give it to; and it is nice to see them with my clean clothes on, because they often come looking very dirty, and I am afraid to touch them; but, when they have on my clean clothes, I like to show them my doll, or some pictures, and then I give them something that they like, and that makes them love me. There are two cunning little Zulu babies here, named Grace and Daisy. I don't know which is Grace; but I ask the mother: and then I know the one that is not Grace must be Daisy. They are twins, and we want them to be dressed alike. On Christmas Day I gave them each a white apron trimmed with red; and they looked so cunning!

But I forgot to tell you that the money which I send was all given me, except two pieces, which papa gave me for sitting still at the table, and not talking. It was pretty hard work, and he said I had really earned it; but the other pieces were just given for my box. The governor of Natal gave me one shilling; and another gentleman gave me a large penny, all new and bright, on board ship. But we

don't see as many people here as we did in America: so I can't collect so much; but I am going to get all I can, and send to you. When I am a big young lady, mamma says perhaps I shall go to school in America, just as my sisters Minnie and Susie do now. We want to see them very much; but Mattie is here, and she plays with me, and dresses my doll, and tells me stories: so I am rather happy. When I am older, mamma says I may teach some of the little Zulu children; and I think I shall like that.

Please give my love to the little girls you know in America. I wish some of them lived here.

Your affectionate little friend,

NELLIE C. TYLER.

BURIED MISSION-STATIONS.

1. Some people prophesy for heathenism a duration of only fifty years longer.
2. This may seem a rash statement; but we hope it is true.
3. The image of the goddess Siva stands in thousands of heathen temples.
4. Hundreds of people go in, and ask the idol to forgive their sins.
5. Will you help us to work in heathen lands till every woman is saved?

ANSWERS TO ENIGMAS.

In the August number, "The shield of faith."

In the September number, "All the world for Jesus."

We have received correct answers to the enigma in the August number from B. H. J., Ludlow, Mass.; J. D. L., Syracuse, N.Y.; L. M. and J. S., Plainfield, Conn.; J. M. P., Ithaca, N.Y.; K. E. W., Greenwich, Conn.; E. L. E., Pittsburg, Penn.; answers to the one in the September number from J. D. L., Syracuse, N.Y.; C. B. H., Brooklyn, N.Y.; H., Portsmouth, N.H.; and an additional answer to the one in the July number, from A. D. B., Detroit, Mich.

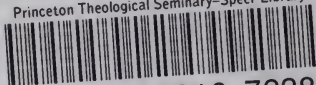
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